GOOD NEWES FROM MVNSTER:

BEING,

An Exact and true Relation of certain Passages of Intelligence from the Province of *Munster* in *Ireland*.

As of taking of *Ballincolly* Castle near *Cork*, and cutting off of many Irish Rebels that were sheltred there; and stopt the passage between *Cork* and *Bandon*.

And likewise of the relieving of the Kings Castle of *Limrick* by Captain *Cole*, with the Kings Pinnasse; who in her return took a *Dunkirker* richly laden with Ammunition?

FAITHFVLLY COLLECTED,

(From the mouth of a Gentlman of good rank and credit, *Peter Courtup* Esquire, sometimes High-Sheriff of the Countie of *Cork*, lately landed at *Menard* from *Cork* in *Munster*.) By JOHN POVVELL, Preacher of Gods Word, Vicar and Pastor of *Newmarket* in *Munster*, untill the *Irish* Rebellious Wolves scattered his flock, and scared their Shepheard, who lost by this Rebellion 400. l. in Temporalties, besides his Spirituall means of 150. l. *per annum*.

WITH

A Letter sent from Amsterdam, and read in both Houses of *Parliament*, the 11. of this present June, 1642.

Discovering what courses are there taken for the raising of Ammunition to be sent to the North. With a List containing the particular number of the said Ammunition.

Die Lunæ, 13. *Iunii*, 1642.

Ordered by the Lords in Parliament, That these Letters and list of Ammunition be forthwith printed and published. I. Brown Cler. Parl.

June 14. LONDON, printed for *Andrew Coe*. 1642.

From Amſterdam. Iune 12 New ſtile, Iune 2 old ſtile. To Iohn Beauchamp Merchant of London.

For the Cloath Trade at preſent, *I* would adviſe you to write to hic wholly not to boy in a piece at preſent, although he pretends loſing his workemen or the like: for loſing his workmen, I doubt at this time money is not ſo rieſe in that Country, and men ſo forward to buy, that *I* thinke little feare, but that if he Turnes off or leave buying, his workemen will be glad to come againe at more ſettled tmes; And it may be, ſell better cheape. Therefore abovt all exenſes, as the ſtate ſtands, write him abſolutely not to take off any untiel further adviſe for if things go badly there, and come to pilaging or deſtruction, you ſhould have all the cloth he had in the houſe to be reckoned to bee your cloth.

I feare a ſtorme to ariſe the North, and I ſee it dayly growe blacker and darker, for ſtore of monyes is made over to pe ſent thither, witneſſe the riſinh of the exchange here ſo ſuddenly; And at breſent here is Order to buy ſtore of piſtoles for Horſmen and powder, ahd neere upon 20. braſſe pieces to bee ſent for the North parts, but the Order is not from the Parliament.

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Newes from Ireland, *reported by* Peter Courtup *Esquire, sometimes High Sheriffe of the County of* Corke *in the Province of* Munster, *lately landed at* Minehead, *from thence.*

SIR *William St. Leger* Lord President and General of *Munster* finding the passage betweene *Corke* and *Baudon Bridge* pesterd with Irish Rebels that were sheltered and succoured in a Castle somewhat adjacent unto the said roade, gave order that forthwith a considerable force of Horse and foot should issue forth against the said Castle, called by the name of *Ballencholly Castle*, and that Captaine *Chidley* should goe Commander of the said Force; withall, that a Basiliſco should be taken forth of the Fort of *Cork*

for the better expediting of their Designes against the said Rebels in *Ballincally Castle*, which accordingly was effected, there were of Horse 100. of Foot 200. and after their comming to the said Castle, and demanding the said Castle to be rendred up to them for his Majesties use, and they refusing of it, they with the piece of Ordnance made a breach for entrance, and with the losse of some 4. or 5. men, entred the Castle, and put to death neere about 80. men; after this Exploit they caused the breach to be made up againe, and left 40. of their men in the said Castle: All this while the Lord of *Muskrey* being in view of the said Forces with 7. or 8000. men, durst not advance against our Forces to relieve the said Castle, such is the spirit of feare and cowardice that God hath possest the Irish Rebels hearts with in vengeance, that were here a sudden, considerable, well-provided Aide sent over into *Munster*, our *English* there would quickly (by the help of God, who hath wonderfully of late

late ſtretched out his arme of mercy towards the Proteſtants there) be not only Maſters of the field, but Commanders of all the Cities and Caſtles, Forts, and Forts of *Munſter*, but before Captaine *Chidley* and his Forces left the ſaid Caſtle, hee charged the Souldiers to whom he committed the cuſtody and command of the ſaid Caſtle, that they ſhould have an eſpeciall care to have a ſtrong and faithfull ſentinell for feare there ſhould be any more men in the Caſtle in any ſecret place that they had not diſcovered, for that in warres before this, Captain *Barret* an Iriſh man pretending to be true to the Queenes Majeſty, repaired unto the Lord Preſident *Carew*, to have ſome Muſketeers to guard this Caſtle being then his, otherwiſe he ſhould be made a prey unto his Country-men that were in Rebellion, whereupon the Lord Preſident allowed him 24. Musketiers, of whom the ſaid *Barret* promiſed to be chary of as of his owne life, but he within three dayes after at ſupper, cauſed all thoſe men

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to be ſlain by 80. Armed men that iſſued out of a Vault under ground in the ſame Caſtle giving them this watch word that when they heard him offer to drinke to them, ſaying, *Here's is to you all Gentlemen Souldiers in a cup of red Wine*, they ſhuld preſently ſurprize them & cut them off, which accordingly they did, ſo dangerous a thing it is to truſt Proteſtants under the command of Papiſts, notwithſtanding their deep Proteſtations, oathes pretended love and loyalty; the ſad Tragedy of theſe 24. made the 40. men left in the ſaid Caſtle more vigilant, and looking about under the hutch, they found a boy, to whom they promiſt his life, if he would diſcover unto them the way to the Vault, but refuſing to doe, after ſome torture they inflicted on him, they put him to death; not long after, a handſome Iriſh woman came up out of the Vault, and hung about one of the Souldiers necks, and kiſt him, deſiring him to ſave her life. and doe what he would with her, but he anſwering her, that it

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was not in his power, left her, and another Souldier cleft her head into two pieces; and then the Souldiers betooke themselves to the further discovery of the said Vault, which they found out by her comming forth, and presently cast in such abundance of moist Hay fired, that with the smother thereof, enforced Armed men that were there to come up, there were 17. which our men cut off, and now keepe the Castle quietly, and thereby have cleared the way betweene *Cork* and *Bandon-bridge*.

Likewise, that the Kings Castle of *Limrick*, under the command of Captain *George Courtney*, was relieved upon intelligence sent unto the Lord President of *Munster* from the said Captain *Courtney* of his great want both with provision and Ammunition, by the Kings Pinace under the Command of Captaine *Cole*, and upon the returne of the said Pinace, there did appeare at the mouth of the Harbour of *Limrick*, two *Dunkirks*, thereupon the Pinace having eight brasse Pieces, besides

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Murtherers and Fire-workes, let flye at them both, but the one escapt, and the other the Kings Pinace tooke in, which Vessell being neere about an hundred Tun they found an Irish Merchant of *Limrick*, worth before these warres there, 1500. pound *per annum* in Lands, besides his other stocke of Merchandise, foure score Barrels of Powder, 700. Muskets, besides abundance of Swords and Match, and the very Ballast was all Ordinances, which Captaine *Cole* hath brought about to *Corke*, God send us more such good purchases that may hinder the Rebels and help our Friends.

A list of the Ammunition, as followeth:

FOure pieces of Battery of 18 pound Bullet.
One piece carrying 12. pound bullet.
Two Culverings carrying 8. pound bullet.
Six Field pieces carrying 6. pound bullet.
Two Mortar pieces.
For Granado's sixteene.
An hundred barrells of ponder.
Two thousand paire of Pistols ready provided.
A thousand Carabines.
Three thousand Saddles.
Bullets. Ladles. Sponges. Carriages. Harneise for Draught Horses.

The *Mortar* pieces are a foot and a halfe in Diameter, the mouth mettall and all.

Shooting Granado's of 11 or 12 inches.

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